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To those who represent the people,

I send my concerns as I live in an area that will be affected by the CAPX2020 345kv transmission line from Brookings, SD to Hampton, MN. In my neighborhood there is no for sure route since a neighboring business works with explosives/fireworks and has been fighting to make sure the line doesn't interfere/become a major danger with their business. The original drafts show the 345kv line going right over the business! Now within 1/2 mile east or west of them is a newly shaded/possibility area that includes my home - we have no definite answers who will be impacted! This project is something that makes NO sense - a Utility/Power Company is going to take away a citizen's home or property for their own wants?!?!? Please look realistically into the idea that people will lose their homes because powerlines (that ARE NOT NEEDED) are going to run across our beautiful agricultural area of the south central part of MN!!!!

The fact that power companies aren't required to pay full market value for a person's property is even scarier!!!!

I spent over 3 hours of my time listening to the concerns of neighbors and friends at a CAPX informational meeting at New Prague High School in April. My frustration comes in at the poor homework done by the CAPX2020 people. They didn't even have my street name correct on their maps; I finally pointed out & voiced this at that April meeting (hopefully to the right people). Might I add, after 2 months, it HAS NOT BEEN CORRECTED!!!! The scoping meetings should never have been called informational nights; VERY FEW answers were given!

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This federal scoping process is specific to only the Hampton-Rochester-La Crosse 345-kV project. As such, we have forwarded your comments to the project team dealing with the project with which you have raised concerns.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be available on the RUS website at: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm>. Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be solicited after its publication.

CAPX2020 claims to follow road-right-of-ways, and yet what is proposed through my area goes through the fields. Small township roads are not always correct in measurement so people will be inconvenienced/ endangered with where CAPX has poorly estimated to place powerline poles. We need to fight for the safety of ourselves!!! At our home we raise our own food, meats & produce; no way will we feel safe raising our children or food with these lines around!

There are MUCH safer routes to consider than what they have proposed!!! Yes, individuals are doing what they need to take care of their own situations, but then CAPX2020 leaders may just move the line minimal yards instead of looking at the fact SCOTT, RICE, & LE SUEUR counties DO NOT want this project criss-crossing through our rural area!!!

Thank you very much for your time; as it may mean my family of 7's home since everything we own may be taken away by the CAPX2020 project.

Not giving up, home schooling mother of 5 that doesn't allow more than one tv in our home AND doesn't want to see SERIOUS dangers in my rural county~

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